
Subject: Coincidence or Divine Intervention?

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Wed, 21 Sep 2011 16:23:59 GMT

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Folks,

I have been getting a LOT of supportive e-mail commiserating with my frustration with the IDL 8.1 graphics system and offering further examples of defects which will keep me busy for some weeks to come. (I can't call this system "New Graphics," because I think they will be heading for the "Old Graphics" pile fairly quickly, and I am having a harder and harder time calling them Function Graphics with Coyote jabbering in my ear.)

But, I will say in the interest of full disclosure that my interest in this graphics system was peaked when on the very same day someone in this newsgroup called the graphics system "convenient" and I received a bill for my annual maintenance contract.

I don't know if this was coincidence or divine intervention. But I do know it has saved me a bundle of money. :-)

Cheers,

David

P.S. This almost sounds like another Onion article, doesn't it?

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Subject: Re: Coincidence or Divine Intervention?

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Thu, 22 Sep 2011 13:34:07 GMT

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Coyote and I have reached a compromise. I'll call this system Dysfunctional Graphics 8.1 and he will stop tipping his friends at The Onion off about developments on this newsgroup. Plus, I've asked him to *please* turn the sarcasm down a notch. Who knows... :-(

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Whoops! Forgot to add my P.S.

P.S. I'll be out of town for most of a week, so those of you who LIKE this graphics system can rest easy for a few days. ;-)

Cheers,

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